REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The foregoing amendment and the following arguments are provided to impart precision to the claims, by more particularly pointing out the invention, rather than to avoid prior art.

35 U.S.C. § 103(a) Rejections

Examiner rejected claims 1, 3-6, 8, 11, 15, 21 and 24-25 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent 5,825,617 (hereinafter "Kochis") in view of U.S. Patent 6,393,573 (hereinafter "Gillespie").

To establish *prima facie* obviousness of a claimed invention, all the claim limitations must be taught or suggested by the prior art. *In re Royka*, 490 F.2d 981, 180 USPQ 580 (CCPA 1974). (Manual of Patent Examining Procedure (MPEP) ¶ 2143.03).

Applicant's independent claims 1, 12, and 17, include limitations that are not disclosed nor suggested by the Kochis nor Gillespie. As a result, Applicant's independent claims are patentable over Kochis in view of Gillespie.

In particular, Applicant's independent claims 1, 12, and 17, include a detachable electronic display screen including a processor and a suspend-to-RAM (STR), the electronic display detachable from a base computer system that includes a processor, RAM, and a hard disk drive.

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Kochis, however, does not disclose a detachable electronic display screen including a processor and a suspend-to-RAM (STR), the electronic display detachable from a base computer system that includes a processor, RAM, and a hard disk drive. Rather, Kochis is limited to disclosing:

A third embodiment of a workslate computer of the present invention is shown generally at 300 in FIGS. 13-18. The workslate computer 300 includes a base workslate portion 301 having a single docking station 322. A two part module 324 is releasably affixed to the docking station 322. The two part module 324 includes a communications port module portion 326 and a keyboard module portion 328. The communications port module portion 326 is pivotably connected to the keyboard module portion 328 by a hinge 330. (col. 11, lines 18-27).

As a result, Kochis and Gillespie, fail to disclose applicant's claimed detachable electronic display screen including a processor and a suspend-to-RAM (STR), the electronic display detachable from a base computer system that includes a processor, RAM, and a hard disk drive. Therefore, Applicant's independent claims 1, 12, and 17, include limitations that are not disclosed nor suggested by the Kochis nor Gillespie, and are therefore patentable over Kochis in view of Gillespie.

Applicant's remaining claims depend from at least one of the independent claims discussed above, and therefore include the distinguishing claim limitations as discussed above. As a result, Applicant's remaining claims are also patentable.

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CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully submits the present application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite or assist in the allowance of the present application, the Examiner is invited to call John Ward at (408) 720-8300, x237.

Authorization is hereby given to charge our Deposit Account No. 02-2666 for any charges that may be due.

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